

**IN THE ABSTRACT**

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An information recording medium is a recording medium to which data can be written to and read from. The recording medium includes a host interface that communicates with a data processing apparatus, a data storage section that has a plurality of recording regions (#1,...,#N) that store data, and a region information storage section that stores information on each recording region. The region information storage section stores information about an address attribute of each recording region of the data storage section. The information about the address attribute includes information indicating a unit (byte or sector) of address specified on access to the recording region.